

June 16, 2011

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Higgins attending. Others attending were Comm. Maynard; Lt. Angel; Lines and Lift Stations Supt. Moss; Pam Robinson – Posey County News; Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat; and arriving during the meeting, Supt. Givens.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented.

Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Higgins moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS*****

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Lt. Angel stated he has no report other than the festival went fine and there were no incidents.

Mayor Tucker added he was approached by several people and they all had good comments on it as well, something for the kids. He then stated the folks that brought the festival in had good comments about the Street Department, Water Works, and Police Department. He stated they intend to try to come back next year. He then asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Chief Waters was not present.

Supt. Givens arrived at the meeting.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the report of Supt. Givens.

Supt. Givens reported that he met with the County on the bridge east of town on Old Hwy 62. He stated they indicate the City needs to move the sewer line off the bridge and move it at least 50 feet. He added they will need an engineer for this project, and he feels the City needs to start making plans on their end and get bids on the project.

Board member Fuelling stated the City needs to be sure the County is going to repair that bridge, as well as getting the City's line off of it correctly. He then stated he likes Supt. Givens thinking on this.

Mayor Tucker agreed that if the City gets their own engineer on this, they will be looking out for the City's best interest.

Board member Fuelling asked when the County will be making a commitment in writing on this ?

Supt. Givens replied they say if the City gets the line off and they get the proper permits from the State, they will proceed – hopefully by the end of the year.

Board then reviewed an engineering agreement from Bernardin Lochmueller for the project.

Board member Fuelling moved Supt Givens proceed with BLA at a cost of \$6,140.00, for the engineering on the bridge project, and that a contract be signed after approval of City Attorney Higgins. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Moss stated he has information from Dukes Company concerning a chemical they can provide that would kill roots in the sewer lines. He added they had an issue out on north Main Street where they could only get so far down a line with their cutting tools and this chemical foam can be shot in the lines to kill any roots. He stated the price quoted was \$1,431.00.

Supt. Givens added this would take care of roots only, no other blockages.

Board member Fuelling stated if he understands correctly, this "killing of the roots" would happen over months ?

Supt. Givens replied that is correct. He then stated Supt. Moss needs permission to proceed, and he himself really needs to get some of these lines opened up.

Board member Fuelling asked if Dukes puts in the foam, or is it purchased and the Sewer Department puts it in ?

Supt. Moss replied Dukes.

Supt. Givens stated he feels Supt. Moss needs to try this in at least one or two problem areas around town.

Board member Fuelling stated it sounds good to him and if this turns out to be a solution to that problem, great.

Board member Higgins moved permission be granted for Supt. Moss to proceed with Dukes on the chemical root killing, at a cost of \$1,431.00, on a trial basis. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ? He added Supts. Givens and Moss should be commended for "looking outside the box" on this trying to find a solution. He then stated if there was no discussion, all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Givens stated he has the report on E & S Housing, he has not reviewed it yet, but he will get back with the Board at a later date.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Comm. Maynard stated he has been approached by the Par & Rec Department about their 1989 Dodge pick up. He continued by stating they had a truck go down and asked if they could borrow it, and he stated at this point, the Street Department would like to let them just keep it. He added he had new brakes put on it, had the oil changed, etc. and the Park has agreed they will now assume any maintenance on the truck.

Board member Fuelling moved the 1989 Dodge pick up be transferred to the Park & Rec Department.

Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions of Comm. Maynard ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any Legals ?

There were none.

Mayor tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Supt. Givens stated he omitted something from his report, and asked if Mayor Tucker wanted to address that now ?

Mayor Tucker stated Tim Wells, who completed the fixed assets for the Sewer Department, as finally approved by State Board of Accounts, has been contacted about taking on the sewer liens. He stated for the past several years, the Sewer Utility has been written up in the annual audit due to sewer liens not being filed on delinquent accounts.

Supt. Givens added he did a good job on the fixed asset inventory, which was finally accepted by State Board of Accounts, and he would like to help point the sewer in the right direction on the sewer liens. He then stated Ms. Bethel wants to take this on and see if she can do it.

Mayor Tucker stated again, this is nothing new in the audit report, and it needs to be taken care of. Mr. Wells has expertise in this field.

Board member Fuelling stated he would be interested to see the report on the delinquent accounts when they get it prepared.

Mayor Tucker stated he, Supt. Givens and Attorney Higgins will be meeting with him later in the month.

Board member Fuelling moved Supt. Givens move forward with Attorney Higgins and Mr. Wells on the sewer lien filings. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer